



**CITY OF AUSTIN FIRE FIGHTERS' AND POLICE OFFICERS CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES  
(Friday, July 15, 2011)**

The City of Austin Firefighters' & Police Officers Civil Service Commission convened in a special called meeting on Friday, July 15, 2011 at 301 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Boards and Commissions Room, in Austin, Texas.

**Commission Member Gary Cobb called the Board Meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Gary Cobb  
Stephen Edmonds  
Herbert Martinez

**Staff in Attendance:**

Karen Sharp, Assistant Director, Human Resource Department  
Patti Marchant, Civil Service Coordinator  
Meghan Riley, Assistant City Attorney  
Steven Garrett, City Attorney's Office

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- a. The minutes from the meeting of June 6th, 2011 were approved on Commission Member Stephen Edmonds' motion and Commission Member Herbert Martinez's second. The vote passed 3-0-0.

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Commission Chair, Gary Cobb welcomed new Commission Member Herbert Martinez and noted that the oath had been administered and signed for his appointment to the City of Austin Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission.
- b. The commission heard three appeals of questions from the APD Corporal/Detective exam which was administered June 30, 2011. Testimony was heard on Question 34. The appeal was denied on Commission Member Stephen Edmonds' motion and Commission Member Herbert Martinez's second. The vote passed 3-0-0.

No testimony was heard on Question 46. The appeal was denied on Commission member Stephen Edmonds' motion and Commission Member Herbert Martinez's second. The vote passed 3-0-0.

Testimony was heard on Question 66. The appeal was upheld on Commission Member Herbert Martinez's motion and Commission Member Gary Cobb's second. The vote passed 3-0-0. Question 66 was thrown out of the scoring by Commission Member Gary Cobb's motion and Commission Member Herbert Martinez's second. The vote passed 3-0-0. Commission Member Stephen Edmonds asked that the minutes reflect the difference between the Commission's decisions regarding question 34 and question 66. Commission Member Cobb had noted that question 34 had no other answers as written since it was a direct quote and that Question 66 had more than one possibility of answers in subsequent sections of the resource material.

### **3. STAFF BRIEFINGS**

Patti Marchant, Civil Service Coordinator provided an update of promotional and entrance exams along with updates regarding fit for duty boards.

Meghan Riley, Assistant City Attorney, provided a legislation update which would allow EMS to be eligible for Civil Service status.

### **4. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

(none)

### **5. ADJOURN**

Commission Member Gary Cobb adjourned the meeting at 4:50pm without objection.